

Claims

1 1. A golf ball, comprising two equatorial o-rings printed on the ball, the o-
2 rings being spaced close to but equidistant apart from an equator of the ball, and
3 markings printed in the polar regions of the ball, whereby the movement of the o-
4 rings and markings when a ball is rolling indicates whether or not a ball has been
5 squarely struck and the extent, if any, to which side spin was imparted to the ball at
6 impact.

1 2. A golf ball according to claim 1, wherein the marking printed in each polar
2 region is an o-ring parallel to the two equatorial o-rings, the polar o-rings being
3 essentially invisible to a golfer when aligning a putt, when the ball is properly aimed
4 along its desired starting line.

1 3. A golf ball according to claim 1, wherein the marking printed in the polar
2 regions comprises a pair of solid lobes extending in opposite directions, the polar
3 lobes being essentially invisible to a golfer when aligning a putt, when the ball is
4 properly aimed along its desired starting line.

1 4. A golf ball according to claim 3, wherein the patterns printed in the polar
2 regions are offset from each other by 90°.

1 5. For use with a golf ball according to claim 1, a putter including an upper
2 central region simulating the cover of a golf ball and two marking lines printed on the

3 surface of said central region and adapted to align with the equatorial o-rings of the
4 golf ball.

6. A putter according to claim 5, wherein the lines printed on the central
region of the putter converge from the back of the putter toward the front.

7. A putter according to claim 6, wherein the upper central region of the
putter is shaped with converging edges which line up with the polar markings of the
golf ball.

8. A putter according to claim 7, wherein the putter includes areas adjoining
said central region, said areas containing a surface coating simulating grass.

9. A putter according to claim 5, wherein a top tray insert forms said upper
central region, said top tray insert being secured to the putter and including a vertical
surface adapted to contact the golf ball during the putting stroke.

10. A putter according to claim 9, wherein the lines printed on the top tray
insert converge from the back of the putter toward the front.

11. A putter according to claim 10, wherein the top tray insert includes
converging side edges which line up with the polar markings of the golf ball.

12. A putter according to claim 11, wherein the putter includes areas
adjoining said top tray insert, said areas containing a surface coating simulating grass.